IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

THEODORE W. HOUSTON ET AL.

Division of Serial No. 09/368,387 (TI-25900.1)

Filed Herewith

For: ASYMMETRICAL DEVICES FOR SHORT GATE LENGTH PERFORMANCE WITH DISPOSABLE SIDEWALL

Art Unit

Examiner

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the first Office action, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Page 1, after the title, add the following paragraph:

"[0000.1] This application is a division of Serial No. 09/368,387, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 based upon Provisional Application Serial No. 60/095,327, filed August 4, 1998."

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1 to 8, 12 to 14 and 16 to 21 without prejudice.

REMARKS

The claims elected in the parent application have been cancelled without prejudice.

Action and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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